

REMARKS

In the Office Action, Claims 8-12 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, 2nd paragraph, as allegedly indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which the Applicant regards as the invention; and Claims 8, 9 and 12 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as allegedly anticipated U.S. Pat. No. 6,428,263 to Schellens. Also in the Office Action, Claims 1-6 were indicated as allowable and Claims 10 and 11 would be allowable if rewritten to overcome the rejections under 35 U.S.C. §112, 2nd paragraph, as set forth above.


In this Amendment, Applicant has amended Claim 8 to essentially claim the subject matter of allowable Claim 10, now cancelled. Claim 8 has also been amended to more clearly describe and distinctly claim a movable member and a base member. Applicant respectfully submits that Claim 8 as amended obviates the present rejections without adding new matter requiring a new search by the Examiner. Therefore, Applicant respectfully requests removal of the rejections to Claim 8, its allowance and allowance of its dependent Claims 9 and 11-12, Claim 11 having been amended to more clearly recite a powered endless belt such as shown in Figures 1 and 2.

Applicant respectfully submits that the Amendment places the application in condition for allowance and invites the Examiner to contact the undersigned at her convenience should she have any questions upon consideration of this Amendment. Please charge any additional fees required by this Amendment to Deposit Account 04-1403.

Respectfully submitted,

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